

ALLEN PARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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ALLEN PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES • March 11, 2024

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The regular meeting of the Allen Park Board of Education was held on Monday, March 11, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Riley Education Center, Gym/Cafeteria, 9601 Vine, Allen Park, MI 48101

^{0:00} The regular meeting called to order/Instruction for Public Comments: President Warren

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call/Present: Babbage, Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren

	There were no additions or deletions to the Agenda.
2024-037	<p>Motion by Vice President Filipiak supported by Trustee Klein, that the consent agenda items be approved as presented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Approval of March 11 agenda▪ Approval of February 12th work session and regular meeting minutes▪ Approval of check registers: 2/8/2024=\$991,979.17; 2/12/2024=\$411.70; 2/14/2024=\$358,321.96; 2/22/2024=\$256,369.75; 3/1/2024=\$6,190.13; 3/5/2024=\$352,389.77; 3/7/2024=\$1,052,913.53; 3/8/2024=\$5,157.11▪ Approval of wire transfers: through February 29, 2024 - \$2,146,009.00 <p>Yeas: Babbage, Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None <u>MOTION CARRIED.</u></p>
	<i>President's Communications:</i> President Warren shared Barton Malow's update of the bond construction at the middle school and high school that has gone on since last month. Final site work at the middle school athletic field will be completed once rising temperatures are established. High school updates included the tennis court replacement and the STEM area.
	<i>Reading of Communications:</i> Secretary Luecke read a thank you card from Jeanette Potasnik thanking the board for adopting a family
	<i>Citizens' Comments Pertaining to Agenda Items:</i> There were no citizen's comments at this time.
	<i>"In the Spotlight" – Student Representatives</i> Aaron Welsh from the middle school gave updates including past, current and upcoming events at the middle school including sports and clubs, St. Patrick's Day and community service projects by NJHS. There was no representative present from the high school.
	<i>Special Presentation: APHS Competitive Cheer State Champions</i> The APHS Competitive Cheer team was honored for earning their 4 th State Championship in the last 5 years. Coach Julie Goodwin introduced the girls and Superintendent Darga presented them with a certificate.
	<i>Special Presentation: March is Social Worker Month.</i> Superintendent Darga Kendra Payette-Linn spoke on behalf of the social workers <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ They handle students from pre-k through completion of high school▪ We need social workers▪ One of their jobs is to help settle. If you can't settle, you can't learn.▪ 5-10% need intensive support services, they do however handle all tiers.▪ Social workers help schools and help parents as well.

	<p><i>Special Presentation: Technology Department Firewall Proposal – Dave Maison</i></p> <p>Our firewall is a legacy firewall and will be coming to it's end of life soon, typically they last 5 years and ours is 6 years old. Everything Dave since he got here has included having a backup system in place. With one firewall, if it goes down we are out of service and would have to close school until fixed so he is proposing to get two. He responded to all of the board's questions and concerns regarding this proposal, It will be presented to the board for approval at the April meeting.</p>
2024-038	<p><i>Personnel:</i></p> <p>A. Employments/Services</p> <p>Motion by Trustee MacDonald, supported by Trustee Babbage, that the recommendations for employment and services be approved by the Board for the individuals as listed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Danexy Alfonso-Perez – Lunchroom Paraprofessional/Arno – Effective 3/6/2024 • Max Archangel – Co-Assistant Boys' Track Coach/APHS – Effective 3/12/2024 • Ken Briere – 8th Grade Baseball Coach/APMS – Effective 2/16/2024 • Nikki Hartley – Boys' Track Assistant Coach/APMS – Effective 3/12/2024 • John Kemble – Maintenance/Arno & Lindemann – Effective 2/16/2024 • Mackenzie Lada – Assistant Girls' Track Coach/APMS – Effective 3/12/2024 • Melissa Lambert – Boys' Track Head Coach/APMS – Effective 3/12/2024 • Drake Steele – Volunteer Track Coach/APHS – Effective 3/12/2024 • Thomas Stineman – Resource Room Teacher/APHS – Effective 4/15/2024 <p>Yeas: Babbage, Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None</p> <p><u>MOTION CARRIED.</u></p> <p>B. Resignations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bridgette Botten – Class of 2026 Advisor & NHS Advisor/APHS – Effective 2/2/2024 • Charity Coogan – Independence Paraprofessional/Bennie – Effective 3/1/2024 • Andrew Graves – Varsity Hockey Coach/APHS – Effective 3/1/2024 • Len Makowski – 8th Grade Baseball Coach/APMS – Effective 2/1/2024 • Jacob Patton – CI Classroom Aide/APMS – Effective 3/18/2024 • Tari Raica – Latchkey Worker/Lindemann – Effective 2/26/2024 • Kathy Weaver – JV Girls' Tennis Coach/APHS – Effective 3/4/2024
2024-039	<p><i>Limited Schools of Choice Option for 2024-2025 School Year</i></p> <p>Moved by Trustee MacDonald and supported by Vice President Filipiak that the Allen Park Board of Education, exercising the option permitted by Section 105 of the School Aid Act of 1979, as amended by Public Act 300 of 1996, will accept applications of non-resident students in Kindergarten through 8th Grade from outside the District, who reside within the Wayne County Intermediate School District, for limited open enrollment in Allen Park Public Schools for the 2024-25 school year, in compliance with the statutory requirements of Section 105.</p> <p>Yeas: Babbage, Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None</p> <p><u>MOTION CARRIED.</u></p>
2024-040	<p><i>APHS Athletic Handbook</i></p> <p>Moved by Trustee Babbage and supported by Trustee MacDonald that the Allen Park Board of Education approve the APHS Athletic Handbook as presented and to be reviewed annually</p> <p>Yeas: Babbage, Filipiak, Klein, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None</p> <p><u>MOTION CARRIED.</u></p>
2024-041	<p><i>Special Education Resource Room Teachers Proposal</i></p> <p>Moved by Trustee Klein and supported by Trustee MacDonald that the Allen Park Board of Education approve the addition of two full time Resource Room teacher positions in the district, one for elementary and one for high school as presented with funding being grant-based either through IDEA or at-risk.</p> <p>Yeas: Babbage, Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None</p> <p><u>MOTION CARRIED</u></p>

2024-042	<p><i>APHS Model UN Conference</i></p> <p>Moved by Treasurer Martin and supported by Trustee Klein that the Allen Park Board of Education approve APHS educational student trip to the Model UN Club Conference at Michigan State University from March 15-17, 2024 as presented.</p> <p>Yeas: Babbage, Filipiak, Klein, MacDonald, Martin, Warren</p> <p>Nays: None</p> <p>Abstain: Luecke (is Model UN Advisor)</p> <p><u>MOTION CARRIED</u></p>
2024-043	<p><i>APHS Library Media Center Furniture Proposal</i></p> <p>Moved by Vice President Filipiak and supported by Secretary Luecke that the Allen Park Board of Education approve the furniture for the APHS Library Media Center and the library classroom for an amount of one hundred fifty-one thousand nine-hundred fifty-six dollars and sixty-seven cents. (\$151,956.67) of which \$100,000.00 will be funded through grant money and the balance being paid for with bond proceeds.</p> <p>Yeas: Babbage, Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren</p> <p>Nays: None</p> <p><u>MOTION CARRIED</u></p>
	<p><i>Superintendent's Update</i></p> <p>Shout Outs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Congratulations to APHS Principal Jason Skiba for being nominated for the Principal of the Year award through the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals (MASSP) organization. • Great job by Mrs. Kelly Klug and drama club's cast and crew on their performances of Disney's Descendants The Musical over this past weekend. • Shout out to all of the Social Workers in the district who work hard every day for our students and staff. • A team of educators from the district were invited to present at the 2024 Michigan Literacy Summit in Kalamazoo to showcase our robust MTSS Program to fellow K-12 educators throughout the state. • Mrs. Maynard and Mrs. Rader presented at the Michigan Science Teacher Association Conference talking about the work they are doing to field test the new Open SciEd science program to Bennie first grade students. • Mrs. Klein and several students from Bennie presented at the Inaugural Elementary and Middle School We the People Hearings Showcase at Wayne State University today. <p>Athletics Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Andrews would like to give a big shout out to all Winter 2 teams as they all enjoyed successful seasons. Our cheer, wrestling and 8th grade girls' basketball team each captured league honors, while our 7th grade girls' goops team showed tremendous growth as the season progressed. We look forward to Spring, as baseball, softball and track kick into high gear. • Shout out to Pat Ward and his crew for picking up our new wrestling mats at Ford Field last Saturday and delivering them to the middle school. Mr. Andrews and the kids really appreciate it! • As honored earlier in this meeting, Competitive Cheer are state champions for the 4th time in 5 years, great job girls and coaches! • There were 8 APHS wrestlers that qualified for the state finals from the high school. Jayson Clark, Santana Ramon, Griffen Alwell, Carlos Sanchez, Yaseen Jaber, Paige Young, Adeline Tuccini and Alyssa Campbell. • Santana Ramon and Alyssa Campbell placed 3rd in the state, Jayson Clark placed 4th in the state and Adeline Tuccini placed 6th in the state. Congratulations to all. • From the swim and dive team, Cole Pacquette placed 7th at the state meet in the 50 freestyle and 13th in the 100-freestyle earning all-state honors. • Josh Booher finished top 20 in the state for diving as a freshman. • Liliana Knapp placed 5th at the Michigan High School Figure Skating Championships. • Abby Russell won the Nike Indoor National Championship in the Weight Throw in New York this past weekend.

	<p>Upcoming events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is no school for students on Friday due to professional development for staff. • Preschool Open House at Riley Education Center will be on Tuesday March 19 at 6pm • Spring break is fast approaching and the last day for students and staff will be Friday March 22nd, returning on Monday, April 1st which is also the first day that preschool will report to their new classrooms at Riley. • I hope everyone has a nice, safe and relaxing spring break, enjoying time with family and friends.
	<p><i>Citizens' Comments:</i> There were no citizen's comments at this time.</p>
	<p><i>Reports of Officers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trustee Babbage had nothing at this time • Treasurer Martin congratulated everyone in the shout outs • Trustee MacDonald said thanks to everyone for coming • Secretary Luecke had nothing at this time. • Vice President Filipiak had nothing at this time. • Trustee Klein commented on being able to watch his wife's class. • President Warren said that Mrs. Klein's class did great at WSU this morning and she can't stop smiling.
2024-044	<p><i>Closed Session: Pursuant to Section 8(b) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss student discipline.</i> Motion by Trustee Martin and supported by Trustee Babbage that the Allen Park Board of Education enter closed session at 8:10 p.m., pursuant to Section 8(b) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss student discipline. Yeas: Babbage, Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None <u>MOTION CARRIED</u></p>
2024-045	<p><i>Return to Open Session</i> Moved by Trustee MacDonald and supported by Trustee Babbage that the Allen Park Board of Education return to open session at 8:29 p.m. Yeas: Babbage, Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None <u>MOTION CARRIED</u></p>
2024-046	<p><i>Student Expulsion</i> Moved by Trustee MacDonald and supported by Secretary Luecke that the Allen Park Board of Education expel student #031124 for the remainder of the 2023-24 school year and the first semester of the 2024-25 school year with exact date determined upon approval of the district calendar. Yeas: Babbage, Filipiak, Klein, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None <u>MOTION CARRIED</u></p>
2024-047	<p><i>Adjournment</i> Motion by Trustee MacDonald and supported by Vice President Filipiak that the meeting adjourn at 8:29 p.m. Yeas: Babbage, Filipiak, Luecke, MacDonald, Martin, Warren Nays: None Absent: Klein <u>MOTION CARRIED</u></p>

Respectfully Submitted,


Laura M. Luecke, Board Secretary